

Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report

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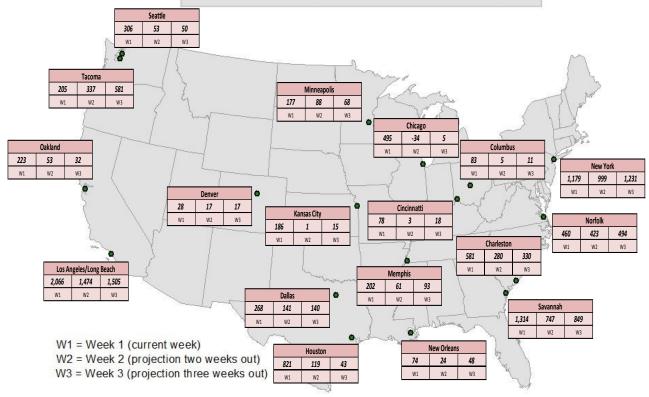
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The Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OSCAR) provides a weekly snapshot of the availability of marine shipping containers at 18 different intermodal locations for the westbound transpacific trade lanes. The data shows the availability for five types of equipment, including 20 and 40ft dry, 20 and 40ft refrigerated, and 40ft high-cube containers, and provides estimates of equipment availability for the current week and projections two weeks out. The data are voluntarily provided to AMS by five ocean container carriers.

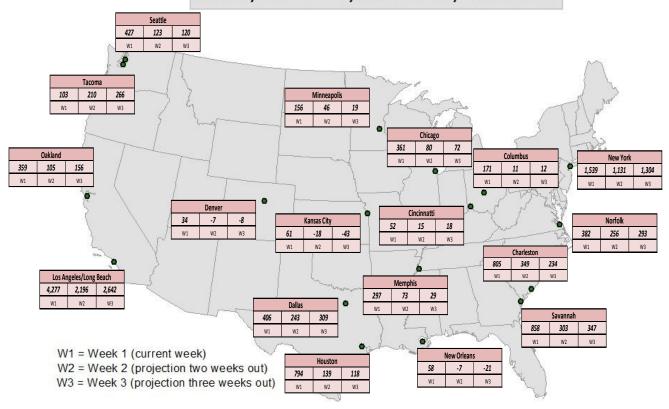
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Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers

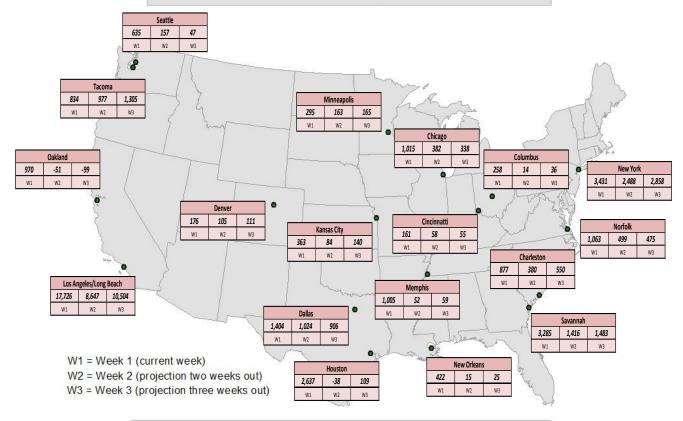


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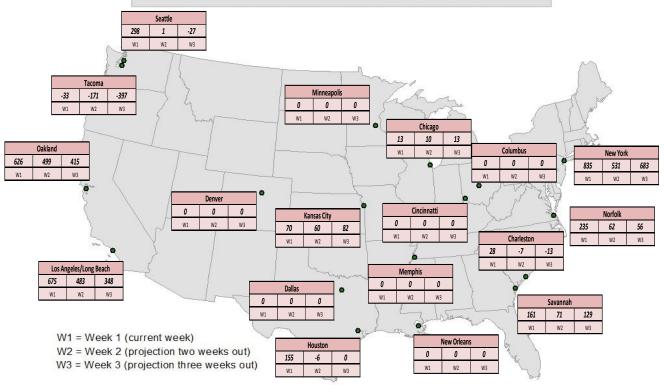




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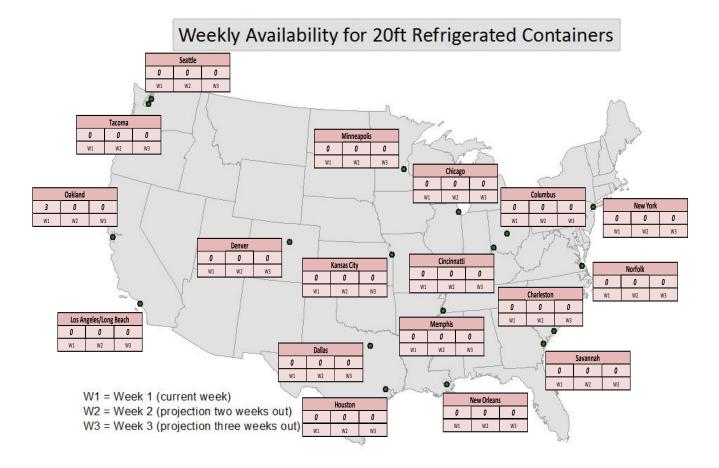


Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers



National Overview Week of Oct 18-24, 2017







	Charl	eston				
	20f	t Dry				
	Ca	irrier Ava	ailability	Respons	ses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	275	125	121	60		581
Week 2: Oct 25-31		77	143	60		280
Week 3: Nov 1-7		123	147	60	•	330
	40f	t Dry				
	Carrier Availability Responses					
Current Week: Oct 18-24	464	216	65	60		805
Week 2: Oct 25-31		214	75	60		349
Week 3: Nov 1-7		151	23	60		234
	40ft Hi	gh Cube				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	430	261	126	60		877
Week 2: Oct 25-31		320	0	60	•	380
Week 3: Nov 1-7		325	165	60	•	550
	40ft Ref	rigerated	k			
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	33	30	10	-45		28
Week 2: Oct 25-31	-2		30	-35		-7
Week 3: Nov 1-7	-23		47	-37		-13
	20ft Ref	rigerated	ł			
Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0				0
Week 2: Oct 25-31		0			•	0
Week 3: Nov 1-7		0				0



	Chi	cago	-	-		
	20f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	491	20	-6	-10		495
Week 2: Oct 25-31		0	-37	3	•	-34
Week 3: Nov 1-7		25	-27	7	•	5
	40f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Availabi	ility Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	206	145	10	0		361
Week 2: Oct 25-31		74	6	0		80
Week 3: Nov 1-7		50	22	0		72
	40ft Hi	gh Cube				
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	692	303	20	0		1,015
Week 2: Oct 25-31		276	106	0		382
Week 3: Nov 1-7		356	-18	0		338
	40ft Ref	rigerated	Ė			
	Carrier	· Availabi	ility Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	13	0	0			13
Week 2: Oct 25-31	10	0	0			10
Week 3: Nov 1-7	13	0	0			13
	20ft Ref	rigerated	j E			
Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0				•	0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0					0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0					0



	Cinci	nnati	-	-			
	20f	t Dry					
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	72	72 5 2 -1 .					
Week 2: Oct 25-31		2	-4	5		3	
Week 3: Nov 1-7		8	1	9		18	
	40f	t Dry					
Carrier Availability Category Responses							
Current Week: Oct 18-24	48	7	0	-3		52	
Week 2: Oct 25-31		18	0	-3		15	
Week 3: Nov 1-7		19	0	-1		18	
	40ft Hi	gh Cube					
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	120	31	7	3		161	
Week 2: Oct 25-31		40	20	-2		58	
Week 3: Nov 1-7		36	20	-1		55	
	40ft Ref	rigerated	ł				
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0			l .	0	
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0	0				0	
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0	0				0	
	20ft Ref	rigerated	t				
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0					0	
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0					0	
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0		•		<u>.</u>	0	



	Colu	mbus				
	20f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	64	11	5	3		83
Week 2: Oct 25-31		8	0	-3	•	5
Week 3: Nov 1-7		4	0	7	•	11
	40f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	136	19	15	1		171
Week 2: Oct 25-31		8	0	3		11
Week 3: Nov 1-7		10	0	2		12
	40ft Hig	gh Cube				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	214	27	10	7		258
Week 2: Oct 25-31		18	0	-4		14
Week 3: Nov 1-7		36	0	0		36
	40ft Ref	rigerated	k			
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0			Ι.	0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0	0				0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0	0				0
	20ft Ref	rigerated	ł			
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0					0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0					0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0					0



	Da	llas		-		
		t Dry				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	161	60	32	15	•	268
Week 2: Oct 25-31	123	•	18	0	•	141
Week 3: Nov 1-7	113		27	0	•	140
	40f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	215	116	65	10		406
Week 2: Oct 25-31	183		50	10		243
Week 3: Nov 1-7	260		39	10		309
	40ft Hi	gh Cube				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	751	502	121	30		1,404
Week 2: Oct 25-31	815		139	70		1,024
Week 3: Nov 1-7	749		132	25		906
	40ft Ref	rigerated	k			
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0				0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0	0				0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0	0				0
	20ft Ref	rigerated	k			
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0					0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0				•	0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0					0



	Dei	nver				
	20f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	14	14	0	0		28
Week 2: Oct 25-31	17		0	0	•	17
Week 3: Nov 1-7	17		0	0	•	17
	40f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	24	10	0	0		34
Week 2: Oct 25-31		-7	0	0		-7
Week 3: Nov 1-7		-8	0	0		-8
	40ft Hi	gh Cube				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	88	88	0	0		176
Week 2: Oct 25-31	105		0	0		105
Week 3: Nov 1-7	111		0	0		111
	40ft Ref	rigerated	ł			
	Carrier	· Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0				0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0	0				0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0	0				0
	20ft Ref	rigerated	k			
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0					0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0					0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0					0



	Hou	ston	-	-		
	20f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	779	63	1	-22	•	821
Week 2: Oct 25-31		44	30	45	•	119
Week 3: Nov 1-7	•	52	5	-14	•	43
	40f	t Dry				
Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	636	140	18	0		794
Week 2: Oct 25-31		131	8	0		139
Week 3: Nov 1-7		118	0	0		118
	40ft Hi	gh Cube				
	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	2,444	98	95	0		2,637
Week 2: Oct 25-31		28	-66	0		-38
Week 3: Nov 1-7		71	38	0		109
	40ft Ref	rigerated	ł			
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	159	0	-4			155
Week 2: Oct 25-31		0	-6			-6
Week 3: Nov 1-7		0	0			0
	20ft Ref	rigerated	į			
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0				0
Week 2: Oct 25-31		0		•	•	0
Week 3: Nov 1-7		0				0



	Kansa	as City	•				
		t Dry					
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses					
Current Week: Oct 18-24	116	116 72 0 -2 .					
Week 2: Oct 25-31		3	0	-2	•	1	
Week 3: Nov 1-7	•	11	4	0	•	15	
	40f	t Dry					
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	42	18	1	0		61	
Week 2: Oct 25-31		-18	0	0		-18	
Week 3: Nov 1-7		-43	0	0		-43	
	40ft Hi	gh Cube					
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	236	112	15	0		363	
Week 2: Oct 25-31		82	7	-5		84	
Week 3: Nov 1-7		141	0	-1		140	
	40ft Ref	rigerated	j				
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	70	0	0			70	
Week 2: Oct 25-31	60	0	0			60	
Week 3: Nov 1-7	82	0	0			82	
	20ft Ref	rigerated	i				
Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0		•	•	•	0	
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0					0	
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0					0	



Los A	ngeles a	nd Lo	ng Bea	ach				
	20f	t Dry						
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	680	680 672 654 60 .						
Week 2: Oct 25-31	746	668	•	60		1,474		
Week 3: Nov 1-7	660	785	•	60	•	1,505		
	40f	t Dry						
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	2,588	1,167	462	60		4,277		
Week 2: Oct 25-31		1,677	459	60		2,196		
Week 3: Nov 1-7		2,102	480	60		2,642		
	40ft Hi	gh Cube						
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses						
Current Week: Oct 18-24	10,014	4,350	3,302	60		17,726		
Week 2: Oct 25-31		5,148	3,439	60		8,647		
Week 3: Nov 1-7		6,628	3,816	60		10,504		
	40ft Ref	rigerated	1					
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	412	121	74	68		675		
Week 2: Oct 25-31	382		95	6		483		
Week 3: Nov 1-7	257		88	3		348		
	20ft Ref	rigerated	d					
Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0				0		
Week 2: Oct 25-31		0	•	•		0		
Week 3: Nov 1-7		0				0		



	Men	nphis			-	
	20ft	t Dry				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	123	69	10	0		202
Week 2: Oct 25-31	•	65	0	-4	•	61
Week 3: Nov 1-7		84	10	-1	•	93
	40ft	t Dry				
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	222	56	30	-11		297
Week 2: Oct 25-31		15	45	13		73
Week 3: Nov 1-7		38	10	-19		29
	40ft Hig	gh Cube				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	888	88	40	-11		1,005
Week 2: Oct 25-31		42	10	0		52
Week 3: Nov 1-7		56	25	-22	•	59
	40ft Ref	rigerated	k			
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0				0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0	0				0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0	0				0
	20ft Ref	rigerated	k			
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0					0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0					0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0				•	0



	Minne	apoli	S	-		
	20f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	121	62	2	-8		177
Week 2: Oct 25-31		80	6	2		88
Week 3: Nov 1-7		59	8	1	•	68
	40f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	152	15	0	-11		156
Week 2: Oct 25-31		41	0	5		46
Week 3: Nov 1-7		20	0	-1		19
	40ft Hi	gh Cube				
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	220	86	4	-15		295
Week 2: Oct 25-31		162	0	1		163
Week 3: Nov 1-7		183	0	-18		165
	40ft Ref	rigerated	k			
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0				0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0	0				0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0	0				0
	20ft Ref	rigerated	k			
Carrier Availability Category Responses						Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0					0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0				•	0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0					0



	New C	Orlean	IS	•	•	
	20f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	41	40	0	-7		74
Week 2: Oct 25-31	46		3	-25		24
Week 3: Nov 1-7	46		0	2	•	48
	40f	t Dry				
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	56	5	0	-3		58
Week 2: Oct 25-31		-13	0	6		-7
Week 3: Nov 1-7		-18	0	-3		-21
	40ft Hi	gh Cube		•		
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	392	34	0	-4		422
Week 2: Oct 25-31		42	0	-27		15
Week 3: Nov 1-7		46	0	-21		25
	40ft Ref	rigerated	,	·		
	Carrier	Availabi	ility Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0				0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0	0				0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0	0				0
	20ft Ref	rigerated	,	•		
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0					0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	0					0
Week 3: Nov 1-7	0					0



	New	York	•		•				
20ft Dry									
		Carrier Availability Category Responses							
Current Week: Oct 18-24	405	374	340	60		1,179			
Week 2: Oct 25-31	469	470	•	60	•	999			
Week 3: Nov 1-7	481	690		60	•	1,231			
	40f	t Dry							
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total			
Current Week: Oct 18-24	663	642	174	60		1,539			
Week 2: Oct 25-31	786		285	60		1,131			
Week 3: Nov 1-7	1,015		229	60		1,304			
40ft High Cube									
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total			
Current Week: Oct 18-24	1,253	1,228	890	60		3,431			
Week 2: Oct 25-31	1,305		1,123	60		2,488			
Week 3: Nov 1-7	1,771		1,027	60		2,858			
	40ft Ref	rigerated	ł						
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total			
Current Week: Oct 18-24	313	299	133	90		835			
Week 2: Oct 25-31		326	118	87	•	531			
Week 3: Nov 1-7		452	96	135		683			
	20ft Ref	rigerated	ł						
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0		•		0			
Week 2: Oct 25-31	•	0			•	0			
Week 3: Nov 1-7		0				0			



Norfolk								
20ft Dry								
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	262	83	60	55		460		
Week 2: Oct 25-31	309	•	60	54	•	423		
Week 3: Nov 1-7	356		60	78		494		
	40ft	t Dry						
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	216	118	60	-12	•	382		
Week 2: Oct 25-31	213		60	-17		256		
Week 3: Nov 1-7	232		60	1		293		
40ft High Cube								
	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total			
Current Week: Oct 18-24	644	300	60	59	•	1,063		
Week 2: Oct 25-31		412	60	27		499		
Week 3: Nov 1-7	•	516	60	-101	•	475		
	40ft Ref	rigerated	l					
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	123	103	10	-1		235		
Week 2: Oct 25-31		56	10	-4		62		
Week 3: Nov 1-7	•	31	12	13		56		
	20ft Ref	rigerated	l					
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total			
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0	•	•	•	0		
Week 2: Oct 25-31	•	0	•		•	0		
Week 3: Nov 1-7	•	0	•			0		



	Oak	land				
	20f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	76	60	50	37		223
Week 2: Oct 25-31	-70	60	63			53
Week 3: Nov 1-7	-59	60	31	•	•	32
	40f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	117	98	84	60		359
Week 2: Oct 25-31	100	-55		60		105
Week 3: Nov 1-7	86	10		60		156
	40ft Hig	gh Cube				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	495	269	146	60		970
Week 2: Oct 25-31	-230	119		60		-51
Week 3: Nov 1-7	-308	149		60		-99
	40ft Ref	rigerated	j			
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	325	246	110	-55		626
Week 2: Oct 25-31	330	208		-39		499
Week 3: Nov 1-7	255	214		-54		415
	20ft Ref	rigerated	j			
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	3	0				3
Week 2: Oct 25-31		0				0
Week 3: Nov 1-7		0				0

 $Note: Reefer\ container\ availability\ data\ for\ Mitsui\ OSK\ Line\ available\ through\ San\ Francisco\ instead\ of\ Oakland.$



	Sava	nnah				
	20f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	574	470	210	60		1,314
Week 2: Oct 25-31		531	156	60	•	747
Week 3: Nov 1-7		655	134	60	•	849
	40f	t Dry				
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	406	395	60	-3		858
Week 2: Oct 25-31		266	60	-23		303
Week 3: Nov 1-7		290	60	-3		347
	40ft Hi	gh Cube				
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				
Current Week: Oct 18-24	1,624	1,430	171	60		3,285
Week 2: Oct 25-31	1,102		254	60		1,416
Week 3: Nov 1-7	1,424		-1	60		1,483
	40ft Ref	rigerated	k			
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total
Current Week: Oct 18-24	55	55	50	1		161
Week 2: Oct 25-31	23	29		19		71
Week 3: Nov 1-7	31	75		23		129
	20ft Ref	rigerated	k			
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total	
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0				0
Week 2: Oct 25-31	•	0				0
Week 3: Nov 1-7		0				0



	Sea	ittle	•	•	•			
20ft Dry								
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses						
Current Week: Oct 18-24	238	60	4	4		306		
Week 2: Oct 25-31		60	-18	11	•	53		
Week 3: Nov 1-7		60	-19	9	•	50		
	40f	t Dry						
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	314	60	46	7		427		
Week 2: Oct 25-31		60	53	10		123		
Week 3: Nov 1-7		60	54	6		120		
40ft High Cube								
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	400	185	60	-10		635		
Week 2: Oct 25-31		82	60	15		157		
Week 3: Nov 1-7		-28	60	15		47		
	40ft Ref	rigerated	ł					
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	278	12	10	-2		298		
Week 2: Oct 25-31		-11	9	3		1		
Week 3: Nov 1-7		-46	20	-1		-27		
	20ft Ref	rigerated	ł					
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total			
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0				0		
Week 2: Oct 25-31		0				0		
Week 3: Nov 1-7		0				0		



	Tac	oma						
20ft Dry								
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses						
Current Week: Oct 18-24	119	45	25	16	•	205		
Week 2: Oct 25-31	-36	43	330	•	•	337		
Week 3: Nov 1-7	26	165	390	•	•	581		
	40f	t Dry						
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	79	22	2	0		103		
Week 2: Oct 25-31	102		-47	155	•	210		
Week 3: Nov 1-7	132		-56	190		266		
40ft High Cube								
	Carrier	Carrier Availability Category Responses				Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	575	184	50	25		834		
Week 2: Oct 25-31	676	41	260			977		
Week 3: Nov 1-7	780	145	380	•		1,305		
	40ft Ref	rigerated	ł					
	Carrier	Availabi	lity Cate	gory Res	ponses	Total		
Current Week: Oct 18-24	241	64	1	-339		-33		
Week 2: Oct 25-31	185	82		-438	•	-171		
Week 3: Nov 1-7	136	55		-588		-397		
	20ft Ref	rigerated	ı					
Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total			
Current Week: Oct 18-24	0	0			•	0		
Week 2: Oct 25-31		0	•		•	0		
Week 3: Nov 1-7		0			•	0		

Understanding this Report

The weekly Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OCSAR) provides a snapshot of container availability for westbound transpacific trade lanes at select intermodal locations around the country. The data presented in this report are gathered from 5 ocean carriers including COSCO Shipping, Evergreen, Yang Ming Transport Corporation, OOCL, and Mitsui OSK Line.

- The data are estimates of container availability per week by the participating carriers. The carriers determine container availability by comparing current supplies at each of the 18 intermodal locations with the demand for these containers based on up-to-date bookings or reservation information in the westbound transpacific trade lane.
- Each week, participating carriers report the estimated number of containers available for the current week (W1) as well as estimates for the subsequent 2 weeks (W2 and W3).
- Maps on pages 2–4 offer a national overview of weekly container availability. The weekly national data are derived from the sum of the individual carrier responses at each intermodal location.
- Individual carrier responses are presented by location on pages 6–23 and have been sorted from largest to smallest. To maintain carrier confidentiality, specific carrier identification is not provided.
- Carrier responses showing negative numbers, such as -29, should be interpreted as meaning that 29 containers are needed by shippers but the carrier is not able to supply them. A positive number, such as 64, would mean 64 containers are available that are not demanded. An indication of 0 means the carriers have the exact amount of containers needed based on current supply and demand estimates.
- Availability levels are subject to change, and may be affected by delays in return of equipment to carriers by shippers or consignees, and by free time restrictions imposed by railroads. Due to the dynamic nature of the container industry, carriers cannot be held responsible for the level of availability at the time of inquiry.
- Data presented in the report do not imply availability of chassis.
- Container availability estimates represent availability for all export cargo, not just agricultural products.
- USDA collects these data on a voluntary basis and cannot be held responsible for the status of container availability when a reader makes inquiry with an ocean carrier. USDA relies on the participating ocean carriers to ensure the data is accurate.
- Terminology:

20ft Dry Container (20ft): A standard shipping container that is 20 feet long.

40ft Dry Container (40ft): A standard shipping container that is 40 feet long.

40ft High-Cube (HC): A shipping container which is 40 feet long and 9 feet, 6 inches tall (1 foot taller than a standard 40ft dry container).

40ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 40 feet long.

20ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 20 feet long.

Chassis: A wheeled frame to which a shipping container can be locked for storage or movement. (Plural chassis)



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